



New Signage! For our New Welcome Center

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March 7, 2020

7:00 p.m. (Doors open 6:30 p.m.) | **Open Space** 18870 103rd Ave SW, Vashon Island

“The Detention Lottery” is an engaging courtroom theatre experience, by Margaret O’Donnell, a Seattle playwright and immigration attorney committed to opening up the immigration enforcement system to public witness.

Eight audience members will join the cast as the detainees. The actors are working immigration attorneys. A Q&A session will follow the production. Food for purchase by Iyad’s Syrian Grill

Purchase tickets: openspacevashon.com | \$12 in advance/\$15 at door



All ticket sales & additional donations will support the Tacoma non-profit, **Advocates for Immigrants in Detention Northwest** www.aidnw.org

For more information, contact immigration@indivisiblevashon.org
*Under 18 free. No one will be turned away for lack of funds.



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WELCOME CENTER END OF YEAR REPORT

Immigrants released from detention	1327
(top 3 categories)	
With Asylum	191
With Bond	771
With Parole	162
Top 3 countries :	
India 316 Cuba 313 Mexico 167	

**YOUR DONATIONS AT WORK
JANUARY 2019**

Immigrants released from detention	67
Overnight stays at the hospitality house	24
Welcome backpacks handed out	52
Detention Center visits	48
Transportation given	22
Volunteer hours	740.75

Want to learn more?

Awareness is a critical part of the work of AIDNW. Our Speakers Group presents to Churches, Synagogues, Temples, Mosques, Service Clubs, and others who might be interested in learning about immigration, detention, the Northwest ICE Processing Center and the work of AIDNW. If you would like a presentation please contact:
EMAIL : info@aidnw.org



A DONOR TESTIMONIAL



Your organization assisted my client, a young man from Sudan. A miracle happened and he was granted asylum. He went to the AIDNW Welcome Center immediately up on his release, where he was greeted by volunteers who offered critical assistance: a place where he could safely stay immediately, food, clothing, Sudanese men to converse with, communication possibilities to reach his wife and infant son in Sudan, and a job interview within three days! When I learned all of this I was astonished and I cried.

When I shared the outcome of this case and equally important resources provided by AIDNW to this young man, my community [the Benedictine Sisters of St. Placid Priory in Lacey, WA] decided to do something for AIDNW to acknowledge their great availability and advocacy for those released from detention. Please find this donation to thank you for all your work on behalf of those at the Tacoma Detention Center and your continued work. Thank you for all your hard work.



MEET THE BOARD! Tim Chen, Board Chair

My wife Pat at and I have been volunteers with AIDNW since the very early days of the Welcome Center, staffing it every Monday for a number of years until enough volunteers were added to the roster.

As some may remember, the early days featured sporadic functioning of the heater and generator, which meant no heat, using lanterns, and not knowing if the pop-out would work or not. Immigrants released were very wary of us, GEO/ICE guards suspicious, and city officials required us to move the RV every week. Now we are perceived as trusted, non-judgmental volunteers--a significant and hard won change in relationship.

In my opinion AIDNW is in a middle stage of development: no longer young and scrappy, but not quite mature and self-sustaining. I will work on the necessary tasks that will take AIDNW to the next level.



<https://aidnw.org/how-to-donate/>

BECOME AN AIDNW SUSTAINING DONOR!

- \$10/mo. pays a month's water bill at the HOSPITALITY HOUSE
- \$25/mo. pays a month's internet and phone bill at the WELCOME CENTER
- \$50/mo. buys a month of water and soda's for RELEASED IMMIGRANTS
- \$100/mo. buys a month of snacks

YOU CAN SET UP RECURRING DONATIONS AT aidnw.org OR WITH YOUR BANK

AIDNW Wish List

LOCAL grocery gift cards/groceries
Men's warm coats/sweaters /sweatshirts
S,M,L
DUFFEL BAGS/ Small Carry On
Suitcases

Donations accepted at
Hospitality House T&TH 11-2

AIDNW Calendar of Events

MARCH 7TH 2020 7 PM

VASHON ISLAND OPEN SPACE

18870 103 Ave SW

THE DETENTION LOTTERY

MARCH 18TH 2020 9.30-11.00

Community Roundtable Meeting

St.Leo's Parish 710 So 13th St Tacoma

